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**AN ORDINANCE  
of the  
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

**By Johnson**

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**Amending Title 12, Chapter 244 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Housing: Maintenance Code.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 244 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**244.1840. Application for license.** Within ninety (90) days after the effective date of this article, the owner of each rental dwelling shall make written application to the director of inspections for a license to carry on the business of renting residential property. In addition, the owner of each such rental dwelling constructed after the effective date of this article shall make written application to the director of inspections for a license as herein provided prior to initial occupancy. Such application shall be made on a form furnished by the director of inspections for such purpose and shall set forth the following information:

- (1) Name, business or residence address, telephone number, and date of birth of the owner of the dwelling. If the owner is a partnership, the name of the partnership, the name, residence address, and date of birth of the managing partner, and the full name and address of all partners. If the owner is a corporation, the name and address of the corporation, and the name of the chief operating officer; in cases where the owner of a dwelling resides outside of the sixteen-county metropolitan area consisting of the following counties: Hennepin, Rice, Wright, Anoka, Washington, McLeod, Ramsey, Dakota, Scott, Carver, Sherburne, Isanti, Chisago, Sibley, Le Sueur and Goodhue; the owner's agent/contact person shall reside within the sixteen county area.

- a. All partnerships, corporations, limited liability companies or other recognized business associations which own a dwelling required to be licensed under this chapter shall submit, upon request of the director of inspections or the director's designee, the name and address of all partners, shareholders or interest holders. If requested by the director of inspections or the director's designee, information regarding the names and addresses of all partners, shareholders or interest holders must be submitted in a sworn affidavit. Failure to provide this information upon request and in proper form may result in a \$500.00 fine or other appropriate enforcement action.
- (2) If the owner has appointed an agent authorized to accept service of process and to receive and give receipt for notices, the name, business or residence address, telephone number, and date of birth of such agent.
  - (3) Every applicant, whether an individual, partnership, or corporation, shall identify in the application, by name, residence or business street address, telephone number, and date of birth, a natural person who is actively involved in, and responsible for, the maintenance and management of the premises. Said natural person shall, if other than the owner, affix his or her notarized signature to the application, thereby accepting joint and several responsibility with the owner (including any potential criminal, civil, or administrative liability) for the maintenance and management of the premises. A post office box or commercial mail receiving service are not acceptable as an address for such person. The individual designated herein may also be the owner of the dwelling or an agent identified in subsection (2) above. The phone number herein required shall be of a phone number that shall be normally answerable twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, not subject to normal business hours. The person designated as the person responsible for the maintenance and management of the premises, whether that person is also the owner of the property or a designee of the owner, shall be required to respond to inquiries from the department of regulatory services or the environmental health division of the Minneapolis Health Department within a reasonable period of time. Failure to respond in a reasonable period of time may lead to adverse license action pursuant to Section 244.1910 (19) of this Code.
  - (4) Street address of the dwelling.

- (5) Number and kind of units within the dwelling (dwelling units, rooming units, or shared bath units). For each unit, specify the floor number, and the unit number and/or letter and/or designation.
- (6) In the event that any of the information required to be provided by this section changes, the applicant or licensee shall, within fourteen (14) days, notify in writing the director of inspections, or an authorized representative of the director, of the change. However, if the natural person designated in subsection (3) changes, the licensee or applicant shall file an entirely new application within fourteen (14) days. Furthermore, for just cause, the director of inspections, or an authorized representative of the director, may request that an applicant or licensee complete and file a new or replacement application for any rental dwelling, giving the licensee or applicant a minimum of fourteen (14) days to comply.